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Reply To Attn Of: ECL-113

October 27,2003

Ms. Kathleen Hain, Lead Environmental Restoration Program U.S. Department of Energy Idaho Operations Office 850 DOE Place Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563

Re: Continuing Concerns with the Draft Final Second Addendum to the Work Plan for the OU 7-13/14 Waste Area Group 7 Comprehensive Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS).

Dear Ms. Hain:

We are in receipt of Mr. Jeff Snook's, DOE's Waste Area Group 7 Project Manager's letter, received October 17,2003. As you can see, in our enclosed responses, there are still several issues, which remain unresolved. Although we believe that significant progress was made on a number of these issues at the Agencies' modeling assumptions meeting, held October 14 thru 16, 2003, concerns still remain which require resolution prior to the finalization of the Second Addendum to the Work Plan. Therefore, we request that "Informal Dispute" be initiated amongst the Project Manager's to resolve these remaining issues on the draft final Second Addendum.

Please contact me at (206) 553-7261, so that Dean, you and I can work through the logistics of our informal dispute process.

Sincerely,

/s/ Wayne Pierre INEEL Project Manager

Enclosure:

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Subject: FW: OU 7-13/14 Draft Second Addendum - Informal Dispute

Letter from EPA on OU 7-13/14 Work Plan Addendum.

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Katie:

Please see attached letter concerning the need to resolve EPA's remaining concerns with the draft final Second Addendum to the OU **7-13/14** RI/FS Work Plan. As was discussed on October **16**, **2003**, we all

hope that this informal dispute process will by itself, be sufficient to resolve the remaining EPA issues. I believe that we have the same goal, i.e., to produce an RI/FS Report that adequately addresses the current and future risk concerns at the Subsurface Disposal Area and proposes remedial alternatives which will abate those actual and potential risks to acceptable levels. We should be able to reach resolution through discussion and compromise.

Wayne

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